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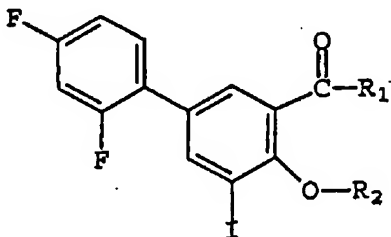
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Title: COMPOUNDS FOR THE TREATMENT OF DISEASES ASSOCIATED WITH THE FORMATION OF AMYLOID FIBRILS	)	Customer No.:	23448

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT OF CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 7-9, and amend claims 2-6, in the following listing of claims 1-9 of the application:

1. (Original) A compound of structural formula (I):



(I)

in which

$R_1$  is a  $-NR_aR_b$  group, where  $R_a$  and  $R_b$ , independently, are a hydrogen atom or a  $C_1-C_6$  alkyl group;  $-OR_c$  group, where  $R_c$  is a hydrogen atom or a  $C_1-C_6$  alkyl group; a glycosyl; a  $C_1-C_6$  polyhydroxyalkyl; or a  $-NH-CH(R_d)-COOR_e$  group, where  $R_d$  is a

side chain of one of the 20 natural alpha-amino acids in either of their two enantiomerically pure forms L or D, and  $R_e$  is a hydrogen atom or a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl group; and

$R_2$  is a hydrogen atom, a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl group, a glycosyl; a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  polyhydroxyalkyl;  $-C(=O)-R_f$  group, where  $R_f$  is a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl group; or a  $-CH_2-COO-R_g$  group, where  $R_g$  is a hydrogen atom or a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl group;

and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

2. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that~~ wherein  $R_1$  is selected from: OH,  $NH_2$ , OMe, OEt, or a  $CH(R_d)-COR_e$  group, where  $R_d$  is the side chain of glycine, alanine, leucine, valine, aspartic acid or asparagine and where  $R_e$  is H or a  $C_1$ - $C_6$  alkyl group; and  $R_2$  is selected from: H, Me, glycosyl, a  $-C(=O)-R_f$  group, where  $R_f$  is a Me, Et, t-Bu group; or a  $-CH_2-COO-R_g$  group, where  $R_g$  is a hydrogen atom or a t-Bu group.

3. (Currently amended) A compound according to claim 1, ~~characterised in that it is selected from the following compounds group consisting of:~~

- [1] 5-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-3-iodo-salicylic acid;
- [2] ethyl 5-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-3-iodo-salicylate;
- [3] methyl 5-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-3-iodo-salicylate;
- [4] 5-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-3-iodo-salicylamide;
- [5] tert-butyl [2-aminocarbonyl-4-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-6-iodo-phenoxy]-acetate;
- [6] [2-aminocarbonyl-4-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-6-iodo-phenoxy]acetic acid;
- [7] 5-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-3-iodo-salicylic acid 1-O- $\beta$ -glycoside;
- [8] ethyl 2',4'-difluoro-4-methoxy-5-iodo-[1,1']biphenyl-3-carboxylate;
- [9] 2',4'-difluoro-4-methoxy-5-iodo-[1,1']biphenyl-3-carboxylic acid;
- [10] ethyl 2',4'-difluoro-4-acetyloxy-5-iodo-[1,1']biphenyl-3-carboxylate;
- [11] 2',4'-difluoro-4-(*t*-butylcarbonyloxy)-5-iodo-[1,1']biphenyl-3-carboxylic acid;
- [12] 2',4'-difluoro-4-(ethylcarbonyloxy)-5-iodo-[1,1']biphenyl-3-carboxylic acid;
- [13] ethyl ester of N-[5-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-3-iodo-salicyloyl]glycine;
- [14] N-[5-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-3-iodo-salicyloyl]glycine;
- [15] N-[5-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-3-iodo-salicyloyl]alanine;
- [16] N-[5-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-3-iodo-salicyloyl]leucine;
- [17] N-[5-(2,4-difluorophenyl)-3-iodo-salicyloyl]serine;